

COVID in MA analyzer

Introduction and citations

Data sources

I'm using the wiki compilation at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2020_coronavirus_pandemic_in_Massachusetts which gives confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Massachusetts, according ultimately to the daily updates from the MA Dept of Public Health, such as <https://www.mass.gov/doc/covid-19-cases-in-massachusetts-as-of-march-28-2020/download>.

Subsidiary factoids:

Population of Boston:

```
pop_yr=[2010, 2017];
pop_pp=[620702,685094];
pop_2020_bos=diff(pop_pp)/diff(pop_yr)*3+pop_pp(2)
```

```
pop_2020_bos = 7.1269e+05
```

Population of Massachusetts:

```
pop_yr=[2005, 2018];
pop_pp=[6.454e6,6.902e6];
pop_2020_ma=diff(pop_pp)/diff(pop_yr)*2+pop_pp(2)
```

```
pop_2020_ma = 6.9709e+06
```

Intent

Just to have an idea of when we should see a peak.

Data sets and structure

Data are given in the table Cov_Ma.

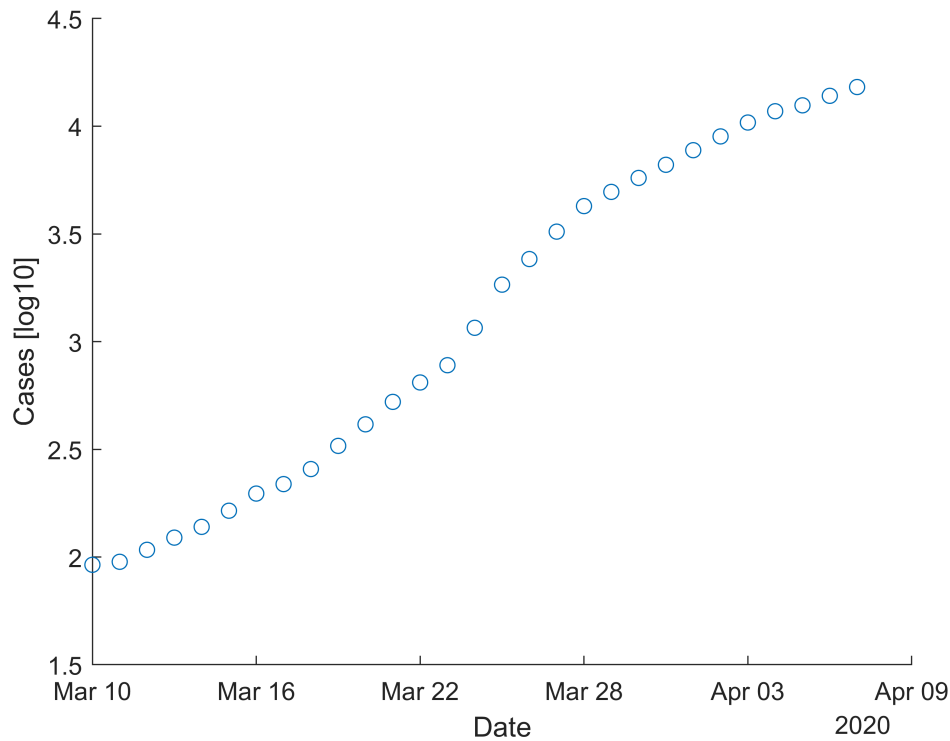
```
Cov_Ma.Properties.VariableNames
```

```
ans = 1x12 cell array
```

```
    {'Days_since_Mar_10'}    {'Cases'}    {'Date'}    {'Cases_change'}    {'Cases_growth'}    {'Tests'}    {'Tests_...
```

Just the facts, ma'am

```
figure
scatter(Cov_Ma.Date, log10(Cov_Ma.Cases))
ylabel('Cases [log10]')
xlabel('Date')
```



Fitting the data to a logistic curve

The logistic curve is given by

$$m_i = \frac{k_i}{1 + e^{-\gamma(t-t_0)}}$$

where m_i is a measure of COVID (I use identified cases and identified deaths), t is the number of days since March 10 (a reasonable measure of when community spreading started), t_0 is the midpoint of the growth (measured in days since March 10), and γ is a constant related to growth rate.

One must initialize the vector of constants with initial conditions to begin the minimization that finds the best-fitting array of constants. These are determined by trial and error. Good practice is to use a variety of IC to make sure the solution is robust. The ICs are in array beta0_i . MATLAB makes fitting the model pretty easy.

Fits

Cases

```
modelfun_c = @(b,x)b(1)./(1+exp(-(x-b(2))*b(3)))
```

modelfun_c = function_handle with value:

```
@(b,x)b(1)./(1+exp(-(x-b(2))*b(3)))
```

```
beta0_c = [18000 23 0.27];
mdl_c = fitnlm(Cov_Ma.Days_since_Mar_10,Cov_Ma.Cases,modelfun_c,beta0_c)
```

```
mdl_c =
Nonlinear regression model:
    y ~ F(b,x)

Estimated Coefficients:
      Estimate      SE      tStat      pValue
    -----
b1      19317      692.14      27.909      6.5605e-21
b2       23.402      0.32142      72.81      1.3844e-31
b3       0.26313      0.008835      29.782      1.2727e-21

Number of observations: 29, Error degrees of freedom: 26
Root Mean Squared Error: 211
R-Squared: 0.998, Adjusted R-Squared 0.998
F-statistic vs. zero model: 8.25e+03, p-value = 7.83e-39
```

Deaths

```
modelfun_d = @(b,x)b(1)./(1+exp(-(x-b(2))*b(3)))
```

modelfun_d = *function_handle with value:*

```
@(b,x)b(1)./(1+exp(-(x-b(2))*b(3)))
```

```
beta0_d = [10000 20 0.1];
mdl_d = fitnlm(Cov_Ma.Days_since_Mar_10,Cov_Ma.Deaths,modelfun_d,beta0_d)
```

```
mdl_d =
Nonlinear regression model:
    y ~ F(b,x)

Estimated Coefficients:
      Estimate      SE      tStat      pValue
    -----
b1       568.79      101.02      5.6304      6.4206e-06
b2       26.848      1.2373      21.698      3.5091e-18
b3       0.28606      0.026484      10.801      4.1592e-11

Number of observations: 29, Error degrees of freedom: 26
Root Mean Squared Error: 10.4
R-Squared: 0.989, Adjusted R-Squared 0.989
F-statistic vs. zero model: 1.18e+03, p-value = 6.88e-28
```

Predictions

```
Pred_window=16;
Pred_days=0:max(Cov_Ma.Days_since_Mar_10)+Pred_window;
Pred_dates=(min(Cov_Ma.Date):days(1):max(Cov_Ma.Date)+days(Pred_window))';
[Cov_Ma_Pred.cases, Cov_Ma_Pred.casesci]=predict(mdl_c,Pred_days','Prediction','observation');
[Cov_Ma_Pred.deaths, Cov_Ma_Pred.deathsci]=predict(mdl_d,Pred_days','Prediction','observation');
```

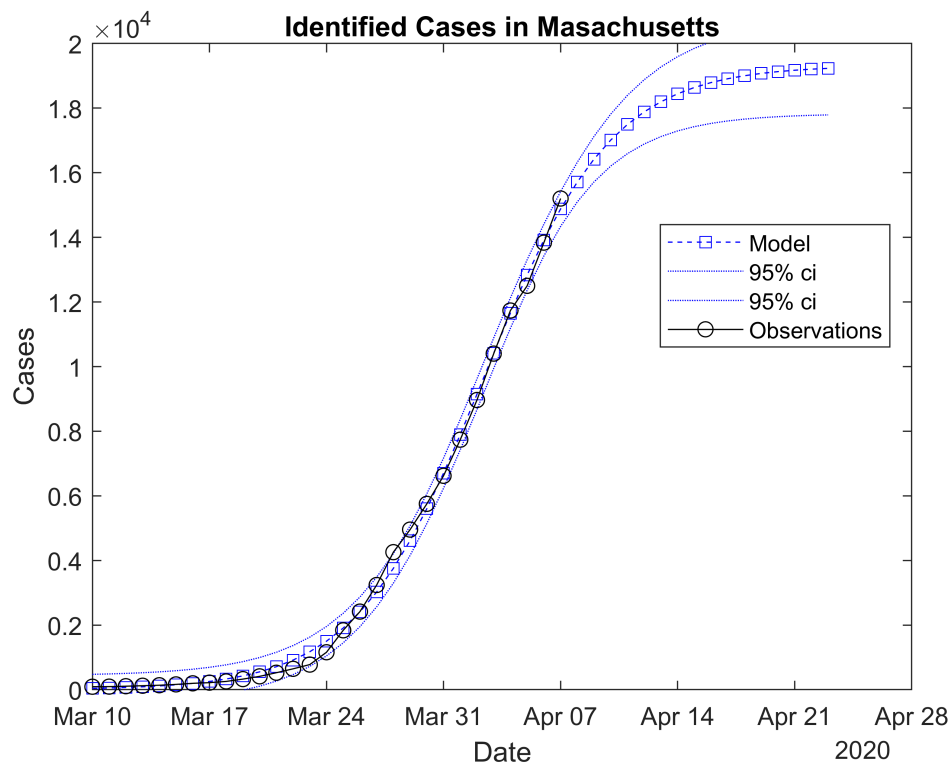
Graph the data and the models up

Cases

```
figure
plot(Pred_dates,Cov_Ma_Pred.cases,'--bs')
hold
```

Current plot held

```
plot(Pred_dates,Cov_Ma_Pred.casesci(:,1),'b')
plot(Pred_dates,Cov_Ma_Pred.casesci(:,2),'b')
plot(Cov_Ma.Date,Cov_Ma.Cases, '-ko')
ylabel('Cases')
xlabel('Date')
ylim([0,20000])
title('Identified Cases in Massachusetts')
legend('Model','95% ci','95% ci','Observations', 'location', 'best')
```



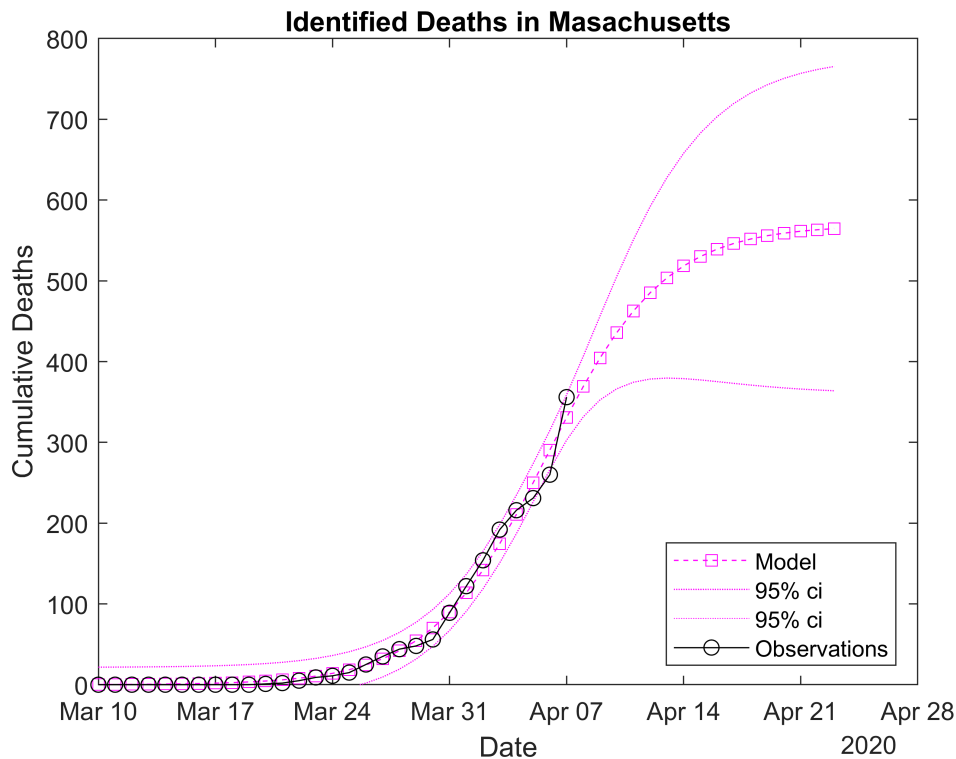
Deaths

```
figure
plot(Pred_dates,Cov_Ma_Pred.deaths,'--ms')
hold
```

Current plot held

```
plot(Pred_dates,Cov_Ma_Pred.deathsci(:,1),'m')
plot(Pred_dates,Cov_Ma_Pred.deathsci(:,2),'m')
plot(Cov_Ma.Date,Cov_Ma.Deaths, '-ko')
ylabel('Cumulative Deaths')
xlabel('Date')
ylim([0,800])
title('Identified Deaths in Massachusetts')
```

```
legend('Model','95% ci','95% ci','Observations','location','best')
```



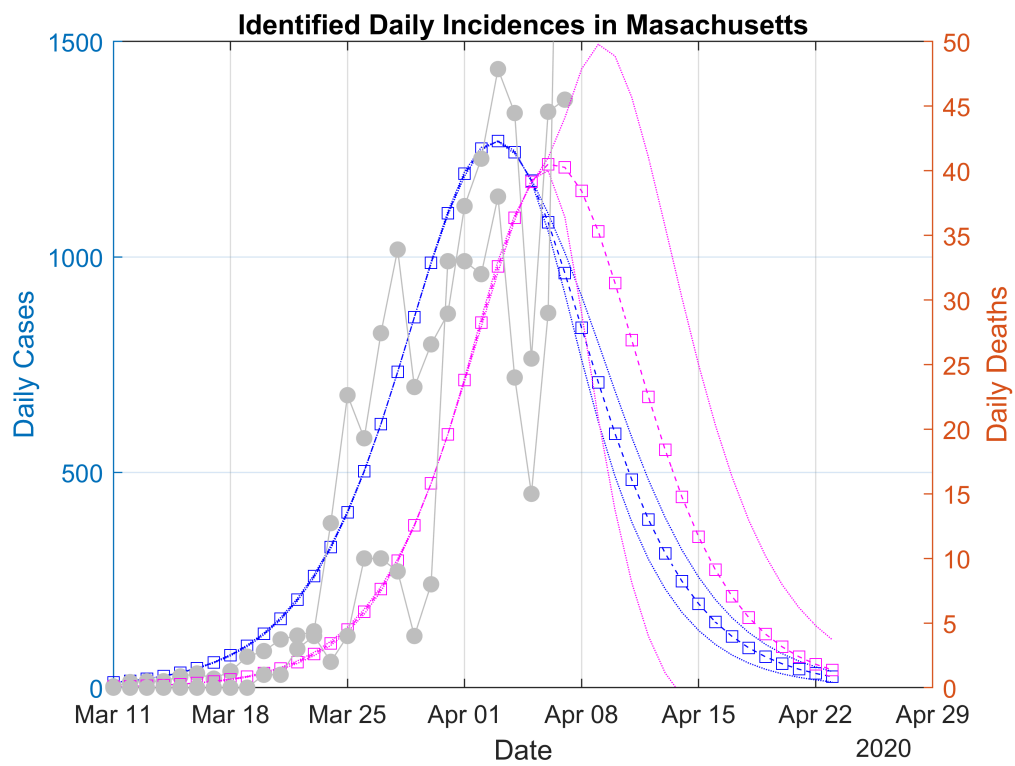
When are the peaks?

Take the differences in the cumulative graphs and plot them up to see the peaks.

```
figure
yyaxis right
plot(Pred_dates(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma_Pred.deaths),'--ms')
hold
```

Current plot held

```
grid
plot(Pred_dates(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma_Pred.deathsci(:,1)),':m')
plot(Pred_dates(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma_Pred.deathsci(:,2)),':m')
plot(Cov_Ma.Date(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma.Deaths),'Color',[.75 .75 .75], 'MarkerFaceColor',[.75 .75 .75], 'MarkerSize',10)
ylabel('Daily Deaths')
xlabel('Date')
ylim([0,50])
title('Identified Daily Incidences in Massachusetts')
%legend('Model','95% ci','95% ci','Observations','location','best')
yyaxis left
plot(Pred_dates(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma_Pred.cases),'--bs')
plot(Pred_dates(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma_Pred.casesci(:,1)),':b')
plot(Pred_dates(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma_Pred.casesci(:,2)),':b')
plot(Cov_Ma.Date(2:end),diff(Cov_Ma.Cases),'Color',[.75 .75 .75], 'MarkerFaceColor',[.75 .75 .75], 'MarkerSize',10)
ylabel('Daily Cases')
```



```
%xlabel('Date')
%ylim([0,50])
%title('Identified Daily Incidences in Massachusetts')
%legend('Model','95% ci','95% ci','Observations', 'location', 'best')
```